Production of coking and non-coking coal during the year 1984-85

2342. SHRI DEBA PRASAD RAY: Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND COAL be pleased to state:

(a) what was the production of coking and non-coking coal, separately during the financial year-1984-85;

(b) what was the percentage of coal distribution to different major sectors of production, during the above period; and

(c) whether overall profitability of the coal companies under the public sector has improved in 1984-85?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL, MINES AND COAL (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) and (b). Production of coking coal and non-coking coal during 1984-85 was as under:—

(*Figures in million tonnes*)

(Provisional)

Company	Coking	Non-Coking	Total
CIL	*26·44	104·39	130·83
SCCL	..	12·33	12·33
TISCO/IISCO	4·14	..	4·14
DVC	..	0·13	0·13
TOTAL	30·58	116·85	147·43

*Excluding coal used for non-metallurgical purposes.

The percentage of distribution to different major sectors of production during the above period was as given below:—

(*Figures in million tonnes*)

Sector	Despatches	Percentage
Steel	23·71	17·3
Power	64·30	46·8
Railways	9·54	6·9
Cement	7·09	5·2
Fertilizer	3·85	2·8
Soft coke	2·15	1·6
Brick kiling & other	26·54	19·3
Export	0·11	0·08
TOTAL	**137·29	

**This includes 2.15 million tonnes of middlings.

(c) The annual accounts of CIL and its subsidiaries for the year 1984-85. have not yet been finalised. However, CIL as a whole is expected to earn a profit of Rs. 13.83 crores.

Production of coal during the year 1983-84

2343. SHRI DEBA PRASAD RAY: Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that according to Bureau of Public Enterprises survey, major factors which affected the coal production in 1983-84 were inadequate power supply, absenteeism, land acquisition problem, industrial relations, non-availability of spare parts, mine inundation during rainy seasons, etc.;

(b) whether the Ministry have any quantifiable data relating to the actors which affected coal production during the above period; and

(e) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL, MINES AND COAL (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The loss of production due to the various factors during 1983-84 was as under:

(Figures in million tonnes)

Factors	Coal India Limited	Singareni Collieries Company Limited
1. Power	4·30	0·22
2. Absenteeism	2·18	0·24
3. Labour Unrest	0·27	1·41
4. Others (Delay in land acquisition Non-availability of spare parts etc.)	3·94	0·61
	10·69	2·48

Losses suffered by Bharat Coking Coal Limited and Eastern Coalfields Limited during the Year 1984-85

2344. SHRI DEBA PRASAD RAY: Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether Bharat Coking Coal Limited and Eastern Coalfields Limited have incurred losses during the financial year 1984-85;

(b) whether the Ministry have taken any measures to contain the losses; if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether these two organisations spent any amount for training their executives; and

(d) if so, how many executives in different cadres have undergone training during the last three years and how much amount has been spent on that account?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL, MINES AND COAL (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Various measures being adopted to increase production and improve productivity in these coal companies include investment in new mines, fuller utilisation of mining capacity already created, more efficient use and better maintenance of equipments, stricter control of inventory and economy in the use of stores, better use of man-power by controlling absenteeism and enforcing discipline and identification of surplus workers and their redeployment after suitable training, better availability of scarce inputs like explosives, timber etc., reduction of pit-head stocks by faster movement and more systematic distribution, expeditious and timely completion of new projects and improvement in the law and order situation and control over mafia activities in Bihar-Bengal coalfields.

(c) and (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Production target affected by expansion programme at Bokaro and Bhilai Steel Plants

2345. SHRI DEBA PRASAD RAY: Will the Minister of STEEL, MINES AND COAL be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the expansion programme at Bokaro and Bhilai Steel Plants has suffered both in the matter of time and cost factors; and

(b) if so, to what extent delay in implementation has affected the achievement of the target of steel production set for the Sixth Five Year Plan period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STEEL (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The targets and actual production of saleable steel at the Bhilai and Bokaro Steel Plants during the Sixth Plan period (1980-81 to 1984-85) is given in the Annexure. [*See* Appendix CXXXV, Annexure No. 53]